Announcing Hampton's 2012 Green School Award Winners!

The Hampton Clean City Commission is pleased to announce the 2012 Hampton Green School Award winners: **Andrews** School, **Davis** Middle School, **Forrest** Elementary School, **Kecoughtan** High School, and **Spratley** Gifted Center. Other high-ranking, honorable mention schools were Armstrong School for the Arts and Langley Elementary School. These schools are being recognized for their accomplishments in litter prevention, recycling, beautification, energy and water conservation, environmental stewardship activities and opportunities, and integration of environmental education into classroom and extracurricular activities.

Just a few highlights of their activities include:

- Andrews School implemented a butterfly garden that involved students, staff, and community, and that was supported in part by funds raised through recycling activities.
- Davis Middle School CHROME and TUMS club participants adopted their school ground for cleanup and participated in a Tour de Trash of Bethel Landfill and the Hampton/NASA Refuse-Fired Steam-Generating Facility.
- Forrest Elementary School students participated in making the International Children's Festival a litter-free event.
- Kecoughtan High School students, staff, and the school community established trash containers around the school grounds and participated in regular school beautification activities.
- Spratley Gifted Center participated in the International Coastal Cleanup and a plastic bag recycling collection.

Honorable mention winners highlights were:

- Armstrong School for the Arts conducted litter cleanups monthly throughout the school year and participated in the plastic bag recycling collection.
- Langley Elementary School participated in the plastic bag recycling collection and cleaned the school grounds weekly.

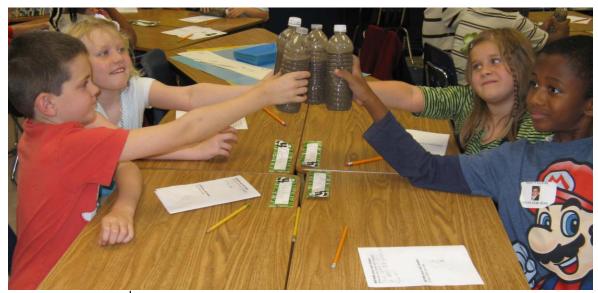
All seven schools participate in the Hampton Clean City Commission's School Pride In Action Program, which encourages environmental education in schools through networking, resource links, educational support, and more.

Green schools are important because they provide a valuable training ground for youth stewardship leader development, help develop good citizenship skills among students, and include students in the important task of keeping schools litter-free and beautiful.

For more information about the Hampton Clean City Commission School Pride in Action Program, contact us at hccc@hampton.gov or 727-1130.



Spratley Gifted Center has a courtyard outdoor classroom used by middle school students



Spratley 3rd graders learned about soil through an HCCC activity



Davis CHROME/TUMS club members visited the Hampton Steam Plant on a Tour de Trash



Spratley participated in the plastic bag recycling program



Andrews 1st graders learned about recycling and made recycling magnets



Forrest afterschool participants learned about how to prevent sewer clogs caused by fats, oils, and grease



Ecology Club participated in keeping the International Children's Festival litter-free

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